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In re patent application of:

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Serial No. 09/938,331

Group Art Unit: 1733

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Examiner: B. Musser

For: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR APPLYING A PLASTIC EDGE STRIP TO A
PLATE-LIKE WORKPIECE AND SUCH A WORKPIECE**

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action having a mailing date of October 19, 2004. The three-month shortened statutory period to respond was set to expire January 19, 2005. Thus a petition for a one-month extension of time has been submitted with this Response, making the due date for response February 19, 2005. However, as February 19, 2005 was a and Monday, February 21, 2005, was President's Day, a Federal Holiday within the District of Columbia, the ultimate due date for response is Tuesday, February 22, 2005.

In view of the following remarks, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the outstanding rejections and allow this application.